

In the claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

35. (Currently amended) A urethral stent ~~medical device~~ for use within a body lumen of a patient, the stent device comprising:

—— a ~~stent~~ comprising:

a first anchoring segment disposed ~~located~~ on the proximal side of the external sphincter, ~~the first anchoring segment having a distal end terminating on the proximal side of the external sphincter~~ when the stent device is placed within the body of the patient;

a second anchoring segment disposed ~~located~~ on the distal side of the external sphincter, ~~the second anchoring segment having a proximal end terminating on the distal side of the external sphincter~~ when the stent device is placed within the body of the patient; and

a connecting segment extending through ~~located in~~ the external sphincter when the stent device is placed within the body of the patient, the connecting segment disposed between and coupling together the first anchoring segment and the second anchoring segment; and

a removal segment continuing from the first anchoring segment and including a distal portion disposed outside the body of the patient when the first anchoring segment is placed within the body of the patient ~~attached to the stent~~.

36. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 35 wherein at least one of the first anchoring segment and the second anchoring segment comprises a coil having a plurality of windings.

37. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 35 wherein the first anchoring segment comprises a coil having a plurality of windings and the second anchoring segment

comprises a coil having a plurality of windings and the windings of the first anchoring segment and the second anchoring segment are sized and configured to progressively uncoil upon application of a continuous tensile force to the removal segment.

38. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 35 wherein at least one of the first anchoring segment and the second anchoring segment defines a lumen.

39. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 35 wherein at least one of the first anchoring segment, the second anchoring segment, and the connecting segment further comprises an inner core and an outer coating covering at least a portion of the inner core.

40. (Canceled).

41. (Currently amended) The medical device of claim 35 wherein ~~a~~ the proximal end of the first anchoring segment comprises an atraumatic tip.

42. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 35 wherein at least one of the first anchoring segment and the second anchoring segment comprises a cross-sectional shape selected from the group consisting of circular, elliptical, rectangular, square, and triangular.

43. (Currently amended) A medical device for use within a urethra ~~body lumen~~ of a patient, the device comprising:

a stent comprising:

a coil ~~including having~~ a plurality of windings and ~~disposed locatable on the proximal side of the external sphincter, the coil having a distal end terminating on the proximal side of the external sphincter~~ when the device is placed within the urethra body of the patient;

an anchoring segment disposed ~~locatable~~ on the distal side of the external sphincter, ~~the anchoring segment having a proximal end terminating on the distal side of the external sphincter~~ when the device is placed within the urethra body of the patient; and

a connecting segment extending through ~~locatable in~~ the external sphincter when the device is placed within the urethra body of the patient, the connecting segment disposed between and coupling together the coil and the anchoring segment; and

a removal segment continuing from the coil and including a distal portion disposed outside the body of the patient when the coil is placed within the urethra of the patient ~~attached to the stent~~.

44. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 43 wherein the anchoring segment comprises a second coil having a plurality of windings.

45. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 44 wherein the windings of the coil and the anchoring segment second coil are sized and configured to progressively uncoil upon application of a continuous tensile force to the removal segment.

46. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 43 wherein the coil defines a lumen.

47. (Previously presented) The medical device of claim 43 wherein at least one of the coil and the anchoring segment comprises a cross-sectional shape selected from the group consisting of circular, elliptical, rectangular, square, and triangular.

48 – 54. (Canceled)

55. (New) The medical device of claim 35 wherein the removal segment is attached to a proximal end of the first anchoring segment.

56. (New) The medical device of claim 37 wherein the removal segment continues from the first anchoring segment, through the first anchoring segment coil, along the connecting segment, and through the second anchoring segment coil.

57. (New) The medical device of claim 56, wherein the removal segment extends through the second anchoring segment and extends outside the body of the patient when the device is placed within the body of the patient.

58. (New) A urethral stent, comprising:

a first coil including a plurality of windings defining a first lumen, the first coil disposed on the proximal side of the external sphincter when the stent is placed within a urethra of a patient;

a second coil including a plurality of windings defining a second lumen, the second coil disposed on the distal side of the external sphincter when the stent is placed within the urethra of the patient;

a connecting segment extending through the external sphincter when the stent is placed within the urethra of the patient, the connecting segment connecting the first and second coils; and

a removal segment continuing from the first coil and including a distal portion disposed outside the body of the patient when the rest of the stent is placed within the urethra of the patient.

59. (New) The urethral stent of claim 58 wherein the removal segment continues from a proximal end of the first coil.